



## MINUTES



### CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION MAY 20, 2009

**Call to Order/  
Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by  
Chairman McGovern, who led Commissioners and the  
audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Commissioners Absent:** Kirkorn, Rivera

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioners Harlow, McGovern, Shaw, Spencer, and  
Siersema were in attendance.

**Others Present:** Travis Hopkins, Director of Public Works  
Tony Olmos, City Engineer  
Jim Wagner, Senior Civil Engineer  
Jo Claudio, Senior Civil Engineer  
Bill Crisp, Water Conservation Coordinator  
Joyce Greene, Administrative Assistant

#### PRESENTATIONS-COMMENDATIONS

None

#### MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Harlow, seconded by Commissioner Shaw to approve the  
minutes of April 15, 2009.

VOTE: The motion carried.  
AYES: 3  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 3 (Kirkorn, Siersema, Rivera)  
ABSTENTIONS: 1 (Spencer)

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## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

## DIRECTOR'S ITEMS

- E-1. Fiscal Year 2009/10 CIP Projects Review – Projects for Fiscal Year 2009/10 will be presented in two phases this year. A PowerPoint presentation was given by City Engineer Tony Olmos who presented the areas of Streets, Neighborhoods and Sewers for the Commission's review. Proposed projects for next Fiscal Year total \$8,750,000. Uncompleted projects from Fiscal Year 2008/09 are on-going.

Street improvements total \$5.6 million. The Pavement Management Program Update is budgeted for \$200,000. Arterial rehabilitation is budgeted for \$4.5 million with street segments determined by the Pavement Management Program ranked by condition. Design for widening of the intersections at Beach/Warner and Brookhurst/Adams is budgeted for \$750,000.

Neighborhood streets budget \$2.05 million with \$800,000 for residential street overlay projects of approximately 30 streets, and \$1 million for tree petition streets. A new item in FY 2009/10 budget is for miscellaneous citywide concrete replacement in the amount of \$250,000.

Sewer Improvements are budgeted for \$1.05 million which include \$275,000 for the design of the rebuild of the Oceanhill sewer lift station. The design to rebuild the Adams/Ranger Lift Station is budgeted for \$275,000. The design of the solution for the Warner Avenue Gravity Sewer is \$400,000. The budgeted sewer lining at various locations is \$100,000.

This completed the presentation of projects for this meeting. Additional projects from other areas will be presented next meeting.

Commissioner Harlow inquired if staff is referring to the IIMP when planning projects and also inquired if the IIMP has been updated. Travis Hopkins responded, the IIMP has not been updated but staff does refer to the IIMP as one source when planning and prioritizing projects.

Travis Hopkins then spoke to a previous concern of alleyways in the city and the need for repair/replacement. He noted that alleys were not addressed in the presentation made this evening and gave reasons why. Funding has been greatly reduced from previous years. However, Prop 1B funding may become available after July of 2010. A typically alley repair/replacement cost is \$100,000.

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Travis Hopkins stated he would like to continue with alleyway repair projects when funding becomes available.

**Commissioner Siersema arrived at 5:25 p.m.**

Travis Hopkins informed the Commission that the City Council has asked for information for possible assessment districts. In the future, residents may be contacted by the city for their consideration of assessment districts for repairs. Commissioner Harlow suggested City Council adopt a resolution to designate alleys as part of the city street system so Gas Tax funding could be used for alley repairs. Discussion held.

The Commissioners agreed when they approve the CIP for presentation to the City Council, they would like to include a memo to express their concerns over funding for infrastructure repairs/replacement.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

- F-1. Active Capital Project Report – Tony Olmos gave an update on Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) that had significant changes during the past month. Chair McGovern requested in future reports a comment is added if the project has been completed or if it is on schedule. Tony Olmos responded completed projects will show as completed in the report and then will be removed from the list the following month. New projects will be added as they are approved.
- F-2. Upcoming City Council Study Sessions – Travis Hopkins reminded the Commissioners the document is informational for agenda scheduling purposes only and is subject to change. The past Monday, May 18, 2009, the Study Session included the update on the Water Management Plan. Tentative for June 15, 2009, is the update on the City Hall Seismic Project and the OCTA I-405 widening project. Tentative for July 20, 2009 is the Utilities Yard Improvements.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- G-1. 2008/09 Arterial Rehabilitation Projects, Phase 2, CC-1341 – Jim Wagner presented the project. Phase 1 of the project, Magnolia Street, was presented separately last month to the Commission. Phase 2 includes the remainder of the arterial street segments for the construction contract. The project consists of removing failed pavement areas, cold milling, constructing asphalt concrete pavement, and traffic signing and striping. The project is ready for the competitive bid process and is anticipated to begin construction in October with a completion date in March 2010. Staff is seeking support for the project.

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Motion by Commission Spencer, seconded by Commissioner Harlow to recommend to the City Council the 2008/09 Arterial Rehabilitation Project, Phase 2, CC-1341.

VOTE: The motion carried.  
AYES: 5  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 2 (Kirkorn, Rivera)  
ABSTENTIONS: 0

- G-2. Slater Avenue Arterial Rehabilitation Project, CC-1359 – Jim Wagner presented the project. Plans and specifications for the Slater Avenue arterial rehabilitation is in final preparation. The project location is Slater Avenue from Graham Street to Goldenwest Street and consists of grinding the existing pavement, removal of failed roadway sections, overlaying the street with asphalt concrete, and limited replacement of sidewalk, curb and gutter. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Commissioner Spencer, seconded by Commissioner Shaw to recommend the Slater Avenue Arterial Rehabilitation Project to the City Council.

VOTE: The motion carried.  
AYES: 5  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 2 (Kirkorn, Rivera)  
ABSTENTIONS: 0

- G-3. City Yard Slope Repair, CC-1336 – Jo Claudio presented the project. A portion of the existing slope along the north side of the City Maintenance Yard has experienced a surficial slope failure. There is an existing block wall near the bottom of the slope which separates the City Yard from the adjacent mobile home park to the north. A geotechnical investigation has determined that the slope failure is due to the weak underlying soils in the area. The project will reconstruct, and geotechnically stabilize an approximately 200 feet long by 10 feet high portion of the most critical area of the slope and minimize the potential for future slope failure in this area. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Commissioner Siersema, seconded by Commissioner Harlow to recommend to the City Council, the City Yard Slope Repair, CC-1336.

VOTE: The motion carried.  
AYES: 5  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 2 (Kirkorn, Rivera)  
ABSTENTIONS: 0

## WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

## COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None

## ADJOURNMENT

The Public Works Commission adjourned to the meeting date of Wednesday, June 17, 2009, 5:00 p.m., City Council Chambers. The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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John McGovern  
Chair



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Joyce A. Greene  
Administrative Assistant

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